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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 10, 2007, the period for reply

having been extended to February 11, 2008, by the payment of the fee for a one-month extension of

time submitted concurrently herewith (February 10 having fallen on a Sunday), Applicants

respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this

paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.